THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) Some case of diversion of domestic LPG cylinders have come to the notice of the PSU oil companies in the course of inspections during April-December, 1996.

(b) Oil Companies distributors are under strict instructions to adhere to 100% home delivery of refills. However, due to unforeseen circumstances like floods, road blockage, etc., Oil Companies' distributors, with the approval from local authorities, resort to cash and carry system. In such cases a rebate of Rs. 2.50 is given to consumers.

(c) Indian Oil Corporation has received complaints from Lucknow and Kanpur Markets against LPG distributors. Five cases from Lucknow and four cases from Kanpur markets, have been reported regarding distributors not making home delivery of cylinders, during April-Dec., 1996.

(d) Guidelines already exit for taking action against erring distributors and for attending to such complaints.

(e) All distributors are under strict instructions to :

1. Supply domestic cylinders to authorised customers only.
2. Effect home delivery of cylinders to all customers residing within their trading area.

Complaints that are received, are investigated and action initiated on established complaints, in line with the marketing discipline guidelines against the erring distributor.

Expenditure on Transfers of IAS/IPS/PCS

2651. SHRI RAMSAGAR : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the amount spent by the Uttar Pradesh Government on the transfers and postings of IAS/IPS and PCS officers during the last three years, year-wise; and

(b) the measures taken/being taken to frame a transfer policy in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI S.R. BALASUBRAMONIYAN) : (a) and (b) In terms of the Cadre Rules, transfers and postings of IAS and IPS officers who are serving under a State Government is the concern of that State Government.

Transfers and postings are an incidence of service and are made by the State or Central Governments, as the case may be, keeping in view the administrative requirements of the State Government concerned or the Government of India. Guidelines have been issued by the Government of India from time to time, in respect of the All India Services with regard to cadre management as well as career management of the officers.

The information regarding the expenditure incurred by the State Governments over transfers and posting of IAS/IPS and PCS officers is not centrally monitored.

Slum Development in West Bengal

2652. SHRI P.R. DASMUNSI : Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Planning Commission had approved and sanctioned more than 30 crores for slum development in West Bengal;

(b) whether the Deputy Chairman, Planning, received any memorandum for special support to Howrah;

(c) if so, whether the Deputy Chairman had given direction to State to spend substantial amount of that fund for Howrah;

(d) if so, whether the directives have been complied; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH) : (a) During 1996-97, Rs. 24.69 crore have been sanctioned for Slum Development in West Bengal.

(b) Yes Sir.

(c) to (e) Deputy Chairman, in his reply to the Hon'ble M.P. had, inter-alia, suggested that the Howrah Improvement Trust may submit projects for consideration under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of infrastructural development in mega cities, which is in operation for Calcutta.

PM's Integrated Urban Poverty Eradication Programme

2653. SHRI CHINTAMAN WANAGA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have received any proposals/requests for inclusion of Kalgaon, Ballapur, Narghar Manikpur and Kemptee cities under Prime Ministers' Integrated Urban Poverty Eradication Programme in Maharashtra; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Navghar Manikpur (Navgnar and Manikpur), forming part of the Vasai Urban Agglomeration (U.A.) with population ranging between 50,000 to 1,00,000 as per the 1991 Census, are alre Jy included under the Programme Kulgaon, Badlapur and Kemptee (Kamptee U.A. and Kulgaon-Badlapur U.A.) do not have urban population between the prescribed limits as per the 1991 Census are thus not eligible for coverage under the Programme. The State Government has been informed accordingly.

Performance of Jawahar Rozgar Yojana

2654. SHRI NARAYAN ATHAWALAY : Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have evaluated the performance of Jawahar Rozgar Yojana, National Literacy Mission and Adult Education Programme;

(b) if so, the details of achievements and deficiencies noticed in implementation of these programmes, State-wise; and

(c) the details of steps proposed to be taken to check the deficiencies noticed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHANDRADEO PRASAD VARMA) : (a) Yes, Sir. Concurrent Evaluation on Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY) was conducted during January-December, 1992 and Evaluation of Total Literacy Campaigns was conducted by an Expert Group constituted by the Department of Education.

(b) and (c) The State-wise details of the evaluations of JRY and the Expert Group on Total Literacy Campaigns did not give State-wise details of the achievements and areas of concern noticed in the implementation of these programmes. However, the deficiencies pointed out in the overall implementation of these programmes have been communicated to the State Governments for taking corrective action.

Rural Sanitation Programme

2655. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN : Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the details of allocation made by the Government and amount utilised Kerala during 1996-97 for projects under Central Rural Sanitation Programme;

(b) whether the Government of Kerala has sought any additional allocation for such programme; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHANDRADEO PRASAD VARMA) : (a) The allocation under CRSP to Kerala for 1996-97 is Rs. 214.00 lakh and the entire amount has been released to the State Government. Out of which Rs. 131.27 lakh have reportedly been utilised by the State Government upto 31.12.96. An additional amount of Rs. 39.457 lakh was also released to the State Government during 1996-97 for the development of model sanitation villages.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The State Government have submitted an action plan of 1950 lakh for the year to provide sanitation facilities in the State. The funds available under the CRSP are allocated according to the fixed criteria to each State. Request from any State for release of additional funds is considered only if funds are available out of savings due to non-release of funds to some States for want of utilisation.

Sale of Nuclear Plants

2656. SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO . Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have received offer from the international reactor venders to sell nuclear plants;

(b) if so, the number plants required for country's nuclear programme;

(c) the number of nuclear plants proposed to be acquired from international venders of any other agencies to meet country's nuclear programme; and

(d) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH) : (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) A proposal to commission a Detailed Project Report for 2 x 100 MWe light water reactor stations to be located at Kudankulam in Tamil Nadu with the technical cooperation and financial assistance of the Russian Federation is presently under negotiation.